

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3624

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ban the use of the arsenic compound known as roxarsone as a food additive.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

Mr. ISRAEL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ban the use of the arsenic compound known as roxarsone as a food additive.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Poison-Free Poultry
5 Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. BAN ON USE OF ARSENIC COMPOUND KNOWN AS**
7 **ROXARSONE AS FOOD ADDITIVE.**

8 (a) BAN.—Section 409 of the Federal Food, Drug,
9 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 348) is amended by adding
10 at the end the following:

1 “(k) BAN ON USE OF ARSENIC COMPOUND
2 ROXARSONE.—The arsenic compound known as
3 roxarsone—

4 “(1) shall not be subject to section 201(s)(4);
5 and

6 “(2) is deemed to be an unsafe food additive
7 within the meaning of this section.”.

8 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO DEFINITION OF
9 ANIMAL FEED.—Section 201(w) of such Act (21 U.S.C.
10 321(w)) is amended by inserting after “such paragraph
11 or section,” the following: “and in section 409(k),”.

12 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
13 this section shall take effect one year after the date of
14 the enactment of this Act.

○